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1. Since March 1952, work on rebuilding the Daimler Benz Werke in Ludwigsfeld (N 53/Z 72), Kreis Teltow, has been in progress. The shops are being constructed of concrete reinforced with steel. The first workshops are to be finished in August 1952. On 1 January 1953 the plant is to begin production of four different types of marine diesel engines, and by 1955 the plant, which has been given a "I" priority rating, is to employ approximately 7,000 workers. Ten workshops are to be constructed. The larger houses in the neighborhood which belong to West Berliners are being requisitioned for technical workers who are to be employed at the plant.
2. In Prenzlau (N 54/Q 04) the following construction projects are to be carried out:
  - a refrigerated storage plant (~~Kühlhaus~~) in Prenzlau, to cost about 7,500,000 east marks;
  - several canneries (Konservenfabriken);
  - a grain silo in Gramzow;
  - granaries 150 meters long (structurally they are similar to army barracks);
  - distilleries (Brennereien) are being converted to smelters for processing copper and other nonferrous metals.
3. In the Werneuchen (N 53/V 06)-Werftfuhr-Tiefensee (N 53/V 17) area, barracks are under construction. They are fenced off by barbed wire. Presumably the installation is to be a munition or bomb dump.

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4. The Mohrin airfield near Koenigsberg-Neumark has been built up and is operating at full capacity.
5. There are many Russians stationed in the forests of the Tempelberg region near Fuerstenwalde (N 53/ V 33).
6. The Chemnitz (N 51/K 66) Reichsbahn Office has to deliver 35 kilometers of railroad tracks to the Soviet Control Commission. The required tracks are of normal 8-inch thickness. The rails of normal thickness are being taken up and in their place six-inch rails, which are normally used as shunting tracks, are being laid.
7. There are no new locomotives at the railroad shop in Zwickau. Old locomotives are converted there to coal dust burners and delivered to the shop at Leipzig-Wahren. Zwickau locomotive stocks for 1952 are as follows:

| <u>Type</u> | <u>Number</u> |
|-------------|---------------|
| 38          | 3             |
| 39          | 4             |
| 44          | 10            |
| 58          | 12            |
| 89          | 4             |
| 75          | 3             |
| 94          | 8             |
| Total       | 44            |

As a reserve, there are 19 other locomotives awaiting repair at the shop.

8. The Zwickau railroad shop has recently produced machine goods for a construction office for aircraft which is to be established in Pirna (N 51/F 38). Pirna-Sonnenstein has been completely closed off since Easter of 1952, and it is alleged that a wind tunnel, workshops and testing stands for motors are either under construction or already installed there.

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